

Mary's River Estates Road District Meeting

Date: April 10, 2025 Zoom meeting hosted Joe

Meeting will be recorded for the purpose of note taking by secretary. Recording will be kept for one year on personal computer and approved written minutes will be kept on website indefinitely.

Attendees: Joe Chambers (President) Sandy Chapman (Secretary), (Debbie Jackson (Treasurer), James Roush, Rick Veronen, Kevin Cornelius Yvette Spitz

Call to order: 7:05 by Joe

Additions/Deletions to agenda: None

Review of minutes/approval: March 13, 2025: changes to minutes made with corrections of Joe approving minutes and not approving the removal of the downed tree. [Debbie makes a motion to accept the minutes as corrected be approved. Sandy seconds the motion. Joe: All in favor? Commissioners Joe, Debbie and Sandy agree, minutes approved.](#)

Financial Report and Mail:

Mail: From SDAO insurance received a flyer for discount for online training. Due later in year for 2026 insurance. Email from Oregon State Treasury for annual verification of where we keep any funds. Debbie verified with them that we also have funds with Citizens Bank. Received a Certificate of membership from Special Districts.

Financial: Debbie screenshares FY24-25 Financials for Income and Expense by Category YTD 07/01/2024 - 04/07/2025 and Transaction report 03/10/2025 - 04/07/2025. We received more received interest and a bit of taxes. CPI bill paid. See detailed information on transaction report. [Debbie makes a motion to accept the financials report as written. Sandy seconds the motion. Debbie: All in favor? Commissioners Joe, Debbie and Sandy agree, financial report approved.](#)

The financials will be added to permanent record on website and be sent out via google groups email with approved minutes each month.

Review of Action items:

Fog Striping: Sandy received an email from Marissa at A1 Striping today asking if we wanted to go ahead next week with the fog line striping if they could get the sweepers out? She emailed a response saying "No" because there is still ditch repairs to remediate from the fiber line installation. She just had the ride around with Brian Richardson from Pioneer today and will discuss those results later.

Bigs Tree Service LLC removal of tree and stump: Stump grinding done on Daisy Drive and fallen tree on MRE removed. There is some smoothing of the ground needing to get done from the roots being pulled out of the ground and possible ditching in the area may be needed.

NW Tractor Services estimate date of mowing: Keaton from Northwest tractor services responded with an email saying tentative mowing is for June 15, depending on weather and the Fender Blue butterfly.

Daisy Drive Bids review and acceptance: Four bids were sent in from contractors for The Daisy Drive Pavement Repair (at the end of Daisy) and the Daisy Drive Slope Repair (at 24631 Daisy): Knife River, Just Done Right General Contractors, BRX Inc., and Bravo Group, LLC. Knife River being the lowest bid for both. After short discussion with Commissioners: [Joe makes a motion to approve the Knife River Corporation bids for both projects. Sandy adds that it was Dan Watson, Engineer recommendation also. Sandy seconds the Motion. Joe: All in Favor? Commissioners Joe, Sandy and Debbie all agree, Motion to approve Knife River Corporation bids passes.](#) Debbie adds a comment that it is favorable to have them working on our roads for possible future projects and she is glad they are interested. [Action Item: Sandy will email Dan Watson tonight so that he will have the approval first thing in the morning. There was a clause in the contract that the award was supposed to be given within ten days from the bids received. Dan asked Knife River if a delay on that was okay and it was. Sandy said a response would be no later than April 11.](#)

Meeting with Brian Richardson Pioneer Engineer: Sandy had a ride around at 1:00 PM today with Brian Richardson. She showed him various places that still needed to be remediated such as ditches on MRE where the mud is going into the culverts and not flowing smoothly. At the corner of Chicory there is a smashed culvert, and whether they did it or not Pioneer will open it up. Another culvert on Columbine (not Iris as said in the meeting) is plugged at the drain opening. Work was done right there, but unknown why it is covered up. Several ditches all over need work. As far as Iris is concerned, she told Brian that someone needed to do a whole regrading of it. It is not like James left it at all. (James Rouch did the Iris work in 2024 before the fiber installation equipment tore it up starting in September) Brian does not know how much gravel was added, Joe says not much and no rolling was done after and it is mostly all gone at this point. Pioneer will turn Iris remediation back over to North Star and the ditches will be done by Pioneer. Brian will get with the powers that be and send Sandy an email what and when things will get done by both companies.

Sandy adds a problem with a culvert: When she was looking at things on Thursday, she noticed a large 14-18" culvert on Columbine between Queen Anne and the end of the pavement (by Andy Evans) has completely rotted out on the bottom and the water is eroding away the dirt. This culvert may not have not been looked at when the multi-modal project was done on Columbine. Another job on the back burner to get done.

Confirm Budget meetings/acceptance of new Budget Committee members: Debbie confirms the dates picked for the Budget meetings to be Wednesdays April 16, May 14, and if needed June 4, 2025. Time is to be 7:00 PM for all of these meetings. People were asked to write to the Commissioners if they wanted to be on the Budget Committee and there were three responses: Kevin Cornelius, Rick Veronen and TR Gregg. [Debbie makes a motion that we accept these volunteers as part of the Budget Committee for FY 2025-2026. Sandy seconds the motion. Joe: all in Favor? Commissioners Joe, Sandy and Debbie agree.](#) **Action Item: Debbie to get the spread sheet updated to display and work on for the budget meetings.** Sandy asks if we need to appoint Debbie as Budget Chair. Answer: at the first budget meeting. **Action Item: Sandy to send out notices for our budget meetings.**

New Business: None

Open Forum: Yvette asks for an update on the results for small claims court case with Blacktop NW. Debbie gives update that neither party prevailed. Our case could not be determined if it was a workmanship problem or other factors. Blacktop did not prevail because they did not take advantage of any mediation and the judge determined that bringing a claim before the CCB against them was what is the purpose in these cases. The case was looked up on the CCB website and the results are that Yes, a complaint was filed in the past ten years and the results were closed for other reasons, respondent prevailed in court arbitration. Sandy asks about still going to the BBB and Angie's list with a complaint? Since the judge did not rule for us would this be liable. Do we want to continue with this. Other Commissioners say no further effort wants to be done. If we get questions from people we can give personal opinions. Leaving a review is not liable. Sandy adds that a big point that the Judge brought out was that BTNW did not take any opportunity to do the mediation or any remediation that was offered.

Joes new email is joeachambers@outlook.com

Meeting adjourned: 7:49